

wherein the residue at position 12 may be either methionine or isoleucine;

the residue at position 18 may be either cysteine or serine;

the residue at position 19 may be either isoleucine or valine;

the residue at position 22 may be either serine or threonine;

the residue at any of positions 25, 26, 61, or 64 may be either arginine or lysine;

the residue at position 27 may be either histidine or arginine;

the residue at position 51 may be either threonine or asparagine;

the residue at position 55 may be either asparagine or histidine;

the residue at position 81 may be either isoleucine or valine;

DL the residue at any of positions 5, 8, 10, 11, 14, 17, 20, 31, 32, 33, 34, 36, 40, 43, 44, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 52, 57, 59, 62, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, or 71 may be any naturally occurring amino acid; and

the residue at any of positions 37, 38, 39, or 65 may be any naturally occurring amino acid or may be absent; or

(b) a nucleotide sequence complementary to the nucleotide sequence of (a).

---

Please cancel claims ~~9~~, ~~12-45~~, and ~~49-59~~ without prejudice or disclaimer.

### REMARKS

Claim 3, as amended, and claims 1, 2, and 4-8, are pending in this application. Non-elected claims 9, 12-45, and 49-59 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. No new matter has been added as a result of the above-described amendments. The amendments to the claims have been made so that the claims comply with 37 C.F.R. § 1.821(d).

Responsive to the Notice to Comply with Requirements for Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide Sequence and/or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures, Applicants attach herewith a copy of the Notice to Comply, a paper copy of the sequence listing, and a computer readable copy of the sequence listing.

The undersigned representative hereby declares that the content of the paper and computer readable copies of the Sequence Listing, submitted in the above-identified application in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.821(c) and (e), respectively, are identical, and further, that the submission of the